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For: BACK ILLUMINATED PHOTODIODE ARRAY, MANUFACTURING METHOD AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE THEREOF		

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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT
AND SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 7, 2006, and further to the Preliminary Amendments filed on January 9, 2006 and February 23, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows. For examination purposes, this second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is intended to replace the Supplemental Preliminary Amendment filed on February 23, 2006.